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CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SREF, RH, ZA  
SUBJ: RHODESIAN STUDENTS EVACUATED FROM BOTSWANA UNDER ZAPU CARE

REF: GABORONE 0373 (NOTAL)

1. UK HIGH COMMISSION OFFICER TOLD EMBOFF MORNING OF FEBRUARY 10 THAT HE BELIEVED ALL THE RHODESIAN STUDENTS FROM BOTSWANA HAD BEEN TRANSPORTED TO ZAMBIA, BUT THAT HE LACKED FIRM CONFIRMATION. SEVERAL DAYS AGO AN INFORMAL HICOM PROBE TO ZAPU REGARDING ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS ELICITED NO REQUEST FOR ANY BRITISH ASSISTANCE. HICOM OFFICER FEELS THAT UNTIL SOMEONE ASKS THEM TO DO SOMETHING, THE CHILDREN, THEIR PARENTS OR THE GRZ, THE HICOM WILL KEEP A LOW PROFILE. THE STUDENTS WERE DESCRIBED AS ALL BEING ZAPU SUPPORTERS AND LODGED AT A ZAPU CAMP NEAR LUSAKA. IT IS EXPECTED THAT ALMOST ALL OF MILITARY AGE WILL RECEIVE GUERRILLA TRAINING.

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2. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY QUERY MORNING OF FEBRUARY 10, LUSAKA UNHCR OFFICIAL STATED UNHCR NOT INVOLVED IN MOVEMENT OF RHODESIAN STUDENTS TO ZAMBIA, BUT ACKNOWLEDGED HAVING HEARD INFORMALLY FROM GRZ THIS BEING DONE. OFFICIAL DID NOT EXPECT THAT UNHCR WOULD BE APPROACHED IN THIS CASE SINCE THE GRZ IN MOST INSTANCES CHANNELS RHODESIAN REFUGEE PROBLEMS TO THE RHODESIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATIONS. LOW

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